"Air Force Club Scholarship Program Tips"

- Using information listed in HQ AFSVA/SVIC message 081045Z Mar 00, and Services Web Page, prepare a 1-page fact sheet to hand out or mail locally to members inquiring about the program.
- Work with local marketing staff to engineer a solid plan to publicize the program.
- Use winning Air Force and base-level essays from the calendar year 1999 scholarship competition, as examples.
- With unit leadership approval, appoint a base-level panel to review scholarship essay contest entrants and select two base-level nominations
- Minimize the scope of text submissions, i.e., each nomination package (personal information and essay) should not exceed two pages single-spaced with double spacing between paragraphs.
- When evaluating essays, concentrate on: "How well is essay theme described and/or reinforced?" "How well does essay presentation portray originality and/or inspire confidence in the Air Force and Air Force clubs?"
- Acknowledge receipt of all essay competition submissions, and advise each one competing for the scholarship that the base will notify them of nomination selection/nonselection when base-level competition has been decided.
- Since competition is open to entire membership, clubs are encouraged to offer base-level competition participants/winners promotional incentives, i.e., meal coupons, merchandise discounts, prizes, etc.
- Keep the following key dates in perspective:
 - -- Cutoff date for submissions to base: 15 Jul 00
 - -- Cutoff date for receiving the two (2) base-level nominations at HQ AFSVA: 10 Aug 00 (means bases must allow sufficient mailing time in advance of that date or use an overnight mail service).
 - -- HQ AFSVA will announce all three (3) scholarship winners NLT 1 Oct 00.